

"*Améle*. This is considered the best variety of carob cultivated in this province (Bari); it may be the kind with large sweet pods which has been reported to you from this region." (*Pantanelli*.)

**55728. GARCINIA MANGOSTANA L. Clusiaceæ. Mangosteen.**

From Peradeniya, Ceylon. Seeds purchased through H. F. McMillan, Botanic Garden, Peradeniya. Received August 31, 1922.

Introduced for the purpose of establishing the mangosteen in our tropical dependencies.

"This delicious fruit is about the size of a mandarin orange, round and slightly flattened at each end, with a thick, smooth, rich red-purple rind, which, when cut, exposes the white segments lying loose in the cups. The cut surface of the rind is a most delicate pink. The separate segments are whitish and covered with a delicate network of fibers. The texture of the pulp resembles that of the plum, and the flavor is indescribably delicious." (*David Fairchild*.)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 55496.

**55729. PRUNUS ARMENIACA L. Amygdalaceæ. Apricot.**

From Likiang, Yunnan, China. Seeds collected by J. F. Rock, Agricultural Explorer of the United States Department of Agriculture. Received August 26, 1922.

"(Nguluke, Likiang Valley. June 25, 1922.) The trees are 45 feet or more high and found in this region at altitudes of 8,000 to 9,200 feet. They are apparently free from disease and should make good stock plants. The small, sour, rich-red fruits are deliciously fragrant and are excellent for jam or for stewing." (*Rock*.)

**55730. LILIUM sp. Liliaceæ. Lily.**

From Likiang, Yunnan, China. Bulbs collected by J. F. Rock. Received August 30, 1922.

"(No. 4756. Nguluke, near Likiang. June 27, 1922.) This may be a variety of *Lilium sutchuenense*. The plant, which grows on the Likiang Range at an altitude of 11,000 feet, is about 4 feet tall, with linear-lanceolate leaves and large brightly colored reddish yellow flowers spotted with a rich purple." (*Rock*.)

**55731. ORYZA SATIVA L. Poaceæ. Rice.**

From Szemao, Yunnan, China. Seeds collected by J. F. Rock. Received August 30, 1922.

"(Szemao, Yunnan. March 11, 1922.) A bright-red rice of fine grade, called *tsu no mi* by the Chinese and sold in Szemao." (*Rock*.)

**55732. PRUNUS MAJESTICA Koehne. Amygdalaceæ. Cherry.**

From Talifu, Yunnan, China. Seeds collected by J. F. Rock. Received August 30, 1922.

"(No. 3174. Talifu, Yunnan. April 25, 1922.) A fine large tree, 60 to 70 feet in height, of *Prunus pseudo-cerasus* type, found in the foothills of Talifu at altitudes of 6,700 to 7,000 feet. The tree from which these seeds were collected had three trunks clothed with a smooth, shining, bronze-colored bark with horizontal bands speckled with white. Each trunk was over a foot in diameter, the branches were stout and erect, the foliage dark green, and the fruits small, oblong, reddish, and cherrylike in appearance." (*Rock*.)

**55733. CARICA PAPAYA L. Papayaceæ. Papaya.**

From Bangkok, Siam. Seeds presented by Lao Leng Hui, clerk, American Legation. Received September 1, 1922.

A mixed collection of papayas from Bangkok, Siam, for trial in southern Florida. The Siamese papayas are recommended by the Hon. W. P. Hunt,